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SUBJ: NEW NATURAL GAS FIELD.

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1. PRESS OF NOVEMBER 20 REPORTS NEW GAS DISCOVERY IN VICINITY OF SANTA ROSA DE YAPACANI IN DEPARTMENT OF SANTA CRUZ ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF CITY OF SANTA CRUZ. GAS REPORTEDLY FOUND BETWEEN 2,148 AND 2,166 METERS DEPTH, AND DRILLING IS TO PROCEED TO DEPTH OF 7,000 METERS. TESTS THROUGH 32/64 INCH CHOKE INDICATES AN INITIAL GAS PRODUCTION OF 9 MILLION CUBIC FEET PER DAY.

2. COMMENT: THIS MAY BE SAME STRUCTURE DRILLED BY GULF OIL IN EX-ATLANTIC RIDGFIELD CONCESSION WHICH REPORTEDLY DISCOVERED SEVEN GAS HORIZONS. SEVERAL OTHER WELLS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE DRILLED AND OTHER PRODUCTION TESTS MADE WITHIN NEXT 6 MONTHS. YPFB MANAGEMENT BELIEVES SANTA ROSA STRUCTURE TO CONTAIN MORE GAS THAN COLPA FIELD NOW SUPPLYING MOST OF GAS SOLD TO ARGENTINA AT RATE OF 150 MILLION CUBIC FEET PER DAY.
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